

Amendments to the Specification

IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 23,
line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Coarse grains were produced partially in test materials No. 25 and No. 26 after the solution heat treatment due to a low roll temperature. This caused an increase in the average crystal grain diameter and a decrease in a low angle ratio, whereby these test materials exhibited inferior resistance to stress corrosion cracking, as shown in Table 14. Test material No. 27 could not limit the growth of crystal grains during the solution heat treatment since the effects of Zr were insufficient due to a low material temperature during repeated rolling, thereby exhibiting inferior resistance to stress corrosion cracking. Test material No. 28 could not limit the growth of crystal grains during the solution heat treatment since precipitation of Zr was insufficient due to a low degree of working. This caused the low angle ratio to decrease, thereby exhibiting inferior resistance to stress corrosion cracking. Test material No. 29 exhibited insufficient strength due to a low cooling rate after the solution heat treatment, whereby breaks occurred during the test on stress corrosion cracking. A worked structure introduced by rolling was easily recovered in test material No. 30 due to a high rolling starting temperature. This inhibited formation of a thermally stable substructure, whereby a fine structure was not obtained after the solution heat treatment. As a result, this test material exhibited inferior resistance to stress corrosion cracking due to a low angle ratio. Test material No. 31 was a 7475 alloy (alloy S) plate obtained using conventional steps, in which breaks occurred during the test on stress corrosion cracking due to a low angle ratio.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 26,
line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in Table 16, test materials Nos. 32-35 according to the present invention showed a yield strength of more than 500 MPa, in which no breaks occurred in the stress corrosion cracking resistance test. On the contrary, test material No. 36 exhibited insufficient strength since a crystal microstructure was not obtained due to low Zn content. This test material exhibited inferior resistance to stress corrosion cracking due to a low percentage of low angle boundaries. Test material No. 37 showed insufficient strength due to low Mg content and Cu content, and exhibited insufficient effects of limiting the growth of crystal grains. Breaks occurred in this test material during the test on stress corrosion cracking due to a low percentage of low angle boundaries. Test material No. 38 exhibited insufficient effects of limiting the growth of crystal grains during the solution heat treatment due to low Zr content, and exhibited inferior resistance to stress corrosion cracking due to a low percentage of low angle boundaries. Cracks occurred in test material No. 39 containing Zn in an amount exceeding the upper limit during casting, whereby a test material could not be obtained.

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